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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION **DATED NOVEMBER 17, 2005**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 140 S. Lake Ave., Suite 312 Pasadena, CA 91101-4710 December 13, 2005

## Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action, dated November 17, 2005, regarding the above-identified application, an election of one of four species construed by the Examiner is submitted herewith; a Listing of Claims is presented below to show the withdrawal of the claims directed to non-elected species; the Listing of Claims applies, as previously presented, the amendments to the Claims presented with the Response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2005. This Response is timely filed within the one-month period set by the Examiner because it is filed before the expiration of December 17, 2005.

Withdrawn Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Response and Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.